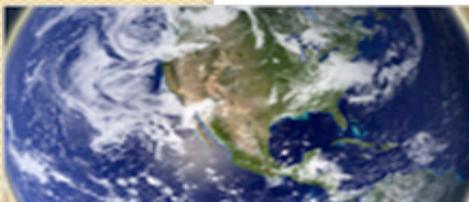


**Predicted vs observed results for  
different channel combinations,  
information content and operational  
error for multi-sensors SST  
retrievals**

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# Basic of Physical Inverse Model

- Forward model:  $Y = KX$ ;  $dY = KdX$
- Inverse:  $dX = K^{-1}dY$  (measurement error)
- Legendre (1805) developed Least Squares stochastically, but the deterministic form  $X = X_{ig} + (K^T K)^{-1} K^T dY_{\delta}$ ;  $dY_{\delta} = Y_{\delta} - Y_{ig}$

Last 30~40 years:  $\delta X \leq \kappa \delta E$ ;  $\kappa = \text{cond}(K)$

- Two ways can be addressed:

$$dY_{\delta} - \delta Y = KdX \quad \text{then, LS}$$

$$\frac{\min}{\|\delta K\|, \|\delta Y\|, X} \{ \|\delta K\|^2 + \|\delta Y\|^2 \} \quad \text{subject to } (K - \delta K) dX = dY_{\delta} - \delta Y$$



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# Deterministic & Stochastic

## Deterministic

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{X}_{rg} &= \mathbf{X}_{ig} + (\mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{K} + \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{K}^T d\mathbf{Y}_\delta \\ &= \mathbf{X}_{ig} + \mathbf{K}_{ps}^{inv} d\mathbf{Y}_\delta \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{TLS: } [\mathbf{u} \ \sigma \ \mathbf{v}] = [\mathbf{K} \quad d\mathbf{Y}_\delta]$$

MTLS:

$$\lambda = (2 \log(\kappa) / \|d\mathbf{Y}_\delta\|^2) \sigma_{end}^2$$

$$\text{Total Error: } \|\mathbf{X}_{true} - \mathbf{X}_{mtls}\|$$

$$\|(\mathbf{K}_{ps}^{inv} \mathbf{K} - \mathbf{I})\mathbf{X}_{true}\| + \|\mathbf{K}_{ps}^{inv} (d\mathbf{Y}_\delta - \mathbf{K}\mathbf{x}_{mtls})\|$$

Model Resolution Matrix:

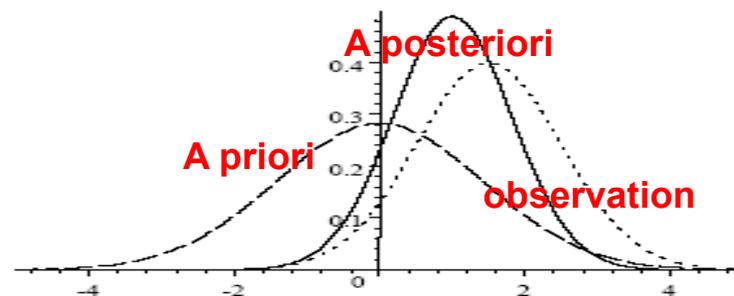
$$\mathbf{M}_{rm} = \{(\mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{K} + \lambda \mathbf{R})^{-1} \mathbf{K}^T\} \mathbf{K}$$

Degree freedom in Retrieval:

$$DFR_{nor} = \text{trace}(\mathbf{M}_{rm}) / \min(m, n)$$

## Stochastic/Probabilistic

$$\mathbf{X}_{rtv} = \mathbf{X}_{ig} + (\mathbf{K}^T \delta\mathbf{Y}^{-2} \mathbf{K} + d\mathbf{X}^{-2})^{-1} \mathbf{K}^T \delta\mathbf{Y}^{-2} d\mathbf{Y}_\delta$$



**OEM:** A set of measurement

$$\mathbf{X}_{oem} = \mathbf{X}_{ap} + (\mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{S}_e^{-1} \mathbf{K} + \mathbf{S}_a^{-1})^{-1} \mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{S}_e^{-1} d\mathbf{Y}_\delta$$

Chi-Square test:

$$\chi_{resd} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{X}_{oem} - d\mathbf{Y}_\delta$$

$$\chi = \chi_{resd}^T (\mathbf{S}_e (\mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{S}_a \mathbf{K} + \mathbf{S}_e)^{-1} \mathbf{S}_e)^{-1} \chi_{resd}$$

Averaging Kernel:

$$\mathbf{A} = \{(\mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{S}_e^{-1} \mathbf{K} + \mathbf{S}_a^{-1})^{-1} \mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{S}_e^{-1}\} \mathbf{K}$$

$$DFS_{nor} = \text{trace}(\mathbf{A}) / \min(m, n)$$



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# Characteristics of Inverse Methods

Elements	Deterministic	Stochastic
Measurement/s	True value + error	Expected value + uncertainty
Physical model	Necessary	Not always (e.g. regression)
Parameters	True value	Random variables
Inversion	Single pixel	A set of measurements
Validation(for a set of measurements)	RMSE= Systematic + Random	Bias (stability) + SD (uncertainty)
Names	Tikhonov, L-M, G-N, LS, TLS, RTLS, TSVD etc.	OE, M-L, Id-var, Regression
EOS/Satellite inversion	A little known	Widely used



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# Information Content

Based on Shannon & Weaver (1949) information content study based on stochastic assumptions:

- Rodgers stated (p. 34-37, 2000): information of measurement is the changing of entropy of the state space before and after measurement and it is given for remote sensing radiative transfer inverse problem as:

$$H = S(p_1) - S(p_2)$$

- After simplification final form for information:

$$H = -\frac{1}{2} \ln |\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}|$$

**For LS,  $\mathbf{A}=\mathbf{I}$ ,  $H=0!$**



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# Data and Forward model specifications

- ❑ Forward model using ver. CRTM2.1
- ❑ Monthly matchups pixel collocated data
- ❑ Buoy (coastal, Moore & drifters)
- ❑ Sensors: GOES13, MTSAT2, MODIS-A, VIIRS
- ❑ iQUAM quality control data
- ❑ Using GFS ancillary data (NRT operational)
- ❑ Night time scenarios
- ❑ CMIP5 climatology standard aerosol
- ❑ OEM error covariance: **difficult in operation**
- ❑ **Cloud detection is major issue**
- ❑ **Bias for Skin-bulk, forward model and measurement**



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# OEM error covariances

VIIRS (3.7 4.0 11 12): Ambiguities

0.12 0.04 0.03 0.03 (Boryana Efremova et al JGR 2014)

0.065 0.078 0.038 0.070 (JPSS ATBD 474 474-00048)

MTSAT2: <http://www.wmo-sat.info/oscar/instruments>

MODIS-A: Xiaoxiong Xiong IEEE TGRS, 47, 2009

GOES13: NOAA Technical Report NESDIS 131

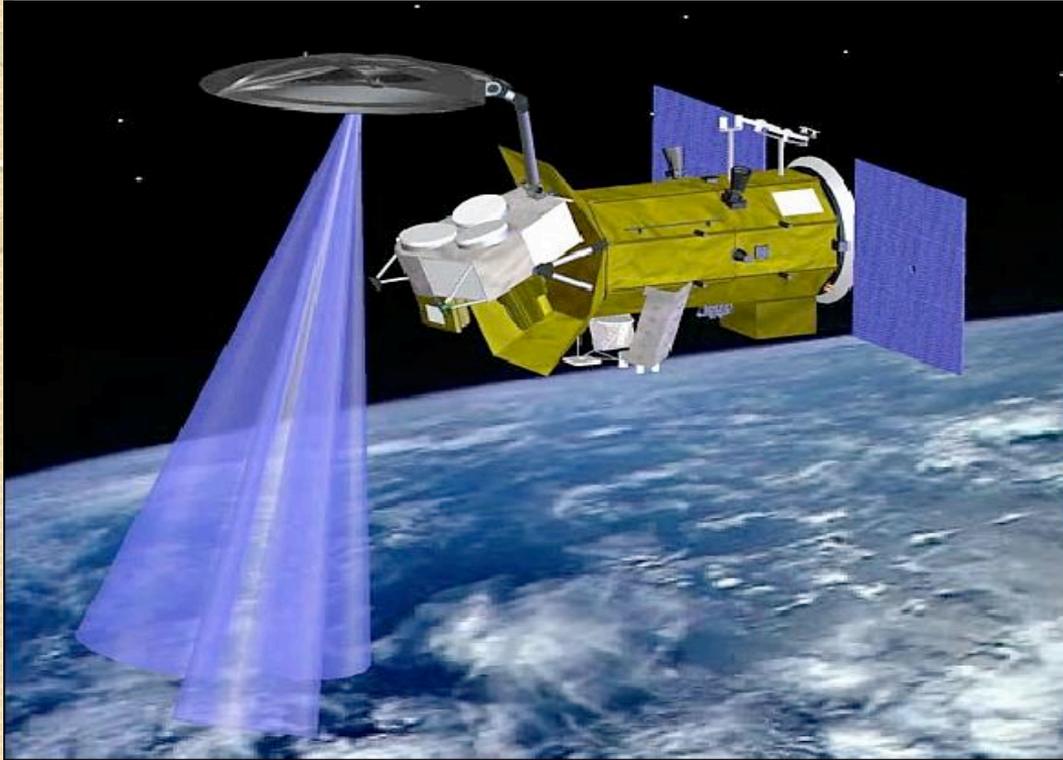
Fast forward model (CRTM2.1) error. It is very difficult to estimate correct forward model error. We assumed:  $\sim 0.2K$  near  $4 \mu m$  channels (due to many absorbers in this region, which is considered in CRTM2.1) and  $\sim 0.1K$  for other channels.



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# Clear Sky Assumptions



Experimental Filter

$$rtv_{3.9} = (T_{3.9} - BT_{3.9}) / K_{3.9}$$

$$abs(SSTb - rtv_{3.9}) < 1$$



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# Systematic Errors for various model

1. Forward model biases (SRF, approximation RT equations, Parameterizations, profiles etc.
2. Instrument biases (calibration, recalibration, drifting etc.)
3. References biases (systematic skin-bulk error)

**Experimental set up:** Bias correction ( $BC_{ls}$ ) is made based on the mean difference between the LS solution and  $SST_b$ .

MTLS or TLS based algorithm minimizes the cost function using orthogonal LS, as compared to ordinary LS equally weights all measurement.. Thus MTLS bias correction is made:

$$BC_{mtls} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m \omega_i}{m \times \max(\omega_i)} BC_{ls}; \quad \omega = K_{sst}$$

Bias is an error. It generates from Models errors and should be objectively corrected at source.

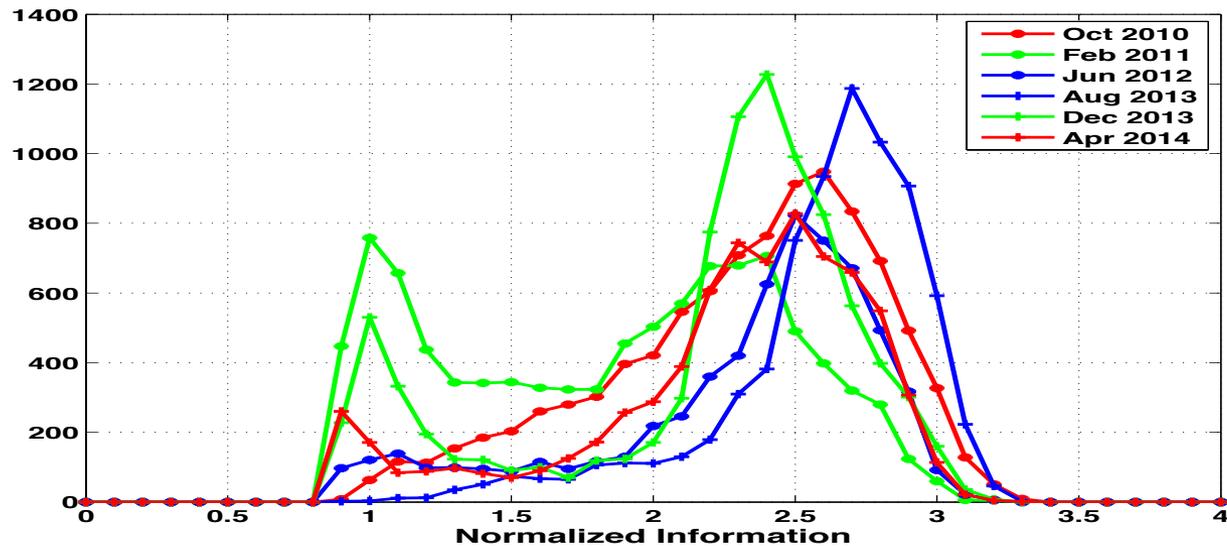


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# Normalized Information for SST retrieval from GOES I 3 using OEM

- $NI = H / \min(m, n)$



- One measurement cannot produce more than one piece of information.



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# Degree of Freedom

$$DFR_{nor} = \text{trace}(\mathbf{M}_{rm}) / \min(m, n)$$

$$DFS_{nor} = \text{trace}(\mathbf{A}) / \min(m, n)$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \{(\mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{S}_e^{-1} \mathbf{K} + \mathbf{S}_a^{-1})^{-1} \mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{S}_e^{-1}\} \mathbf{K}; \quad \mathbf{M}_{rm} = \{(\mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{K} + \lambda \mathbf{R})^{-1} \mathbf{K}^T\} \mathbf{K}$$

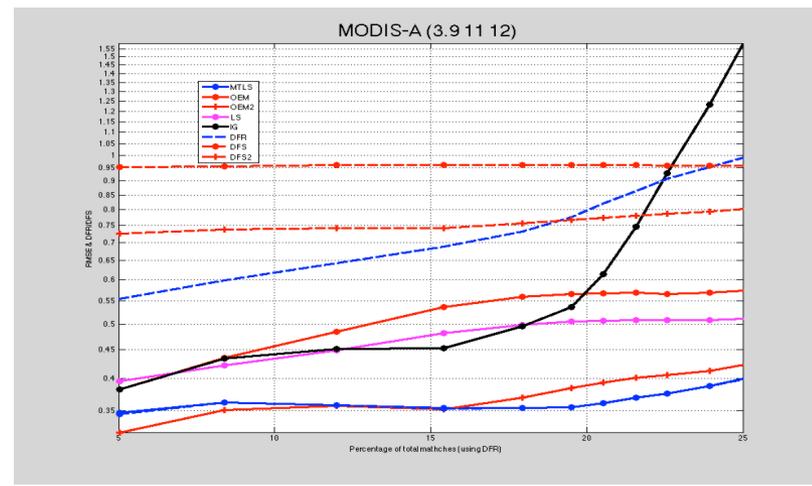
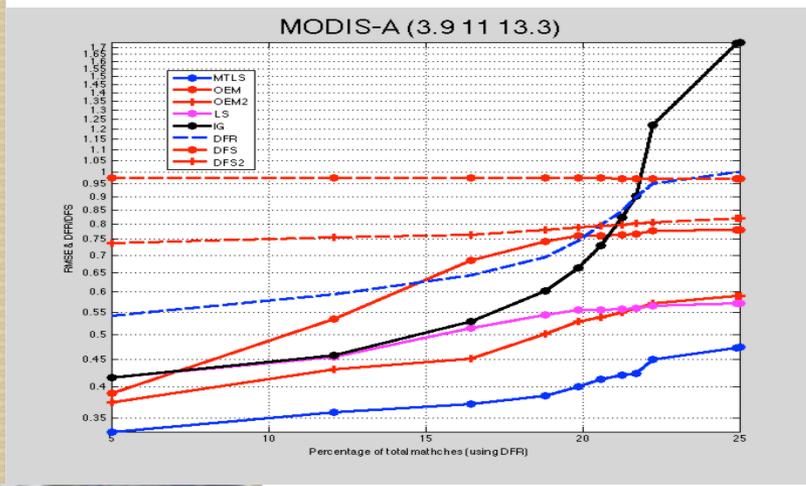
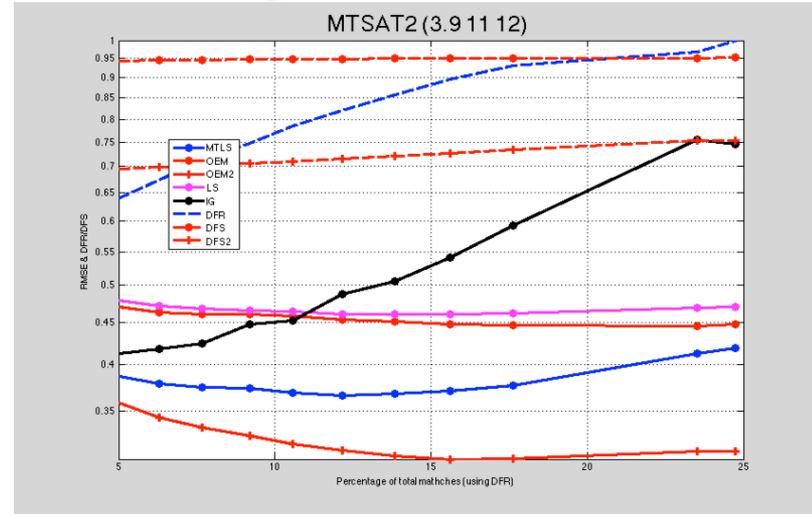
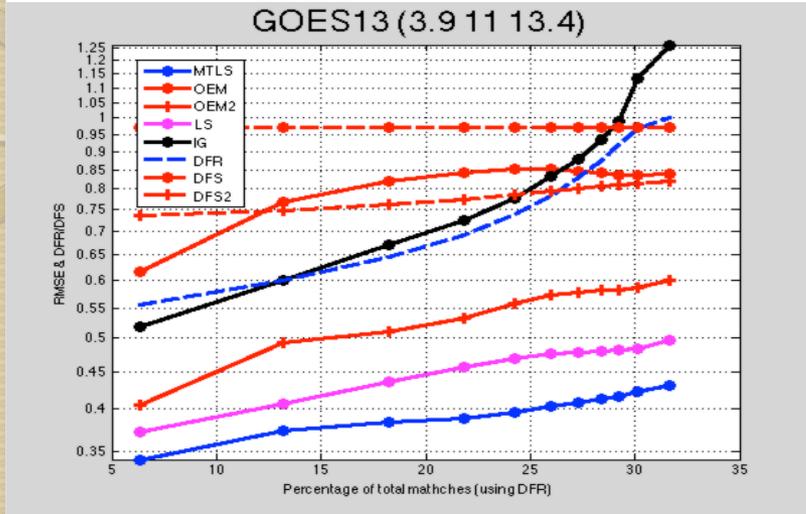
- **Normalized DFS/DFR of LS is one.**
- **Thus we add LS in comparison study of MTLs & OEM as a reference.**



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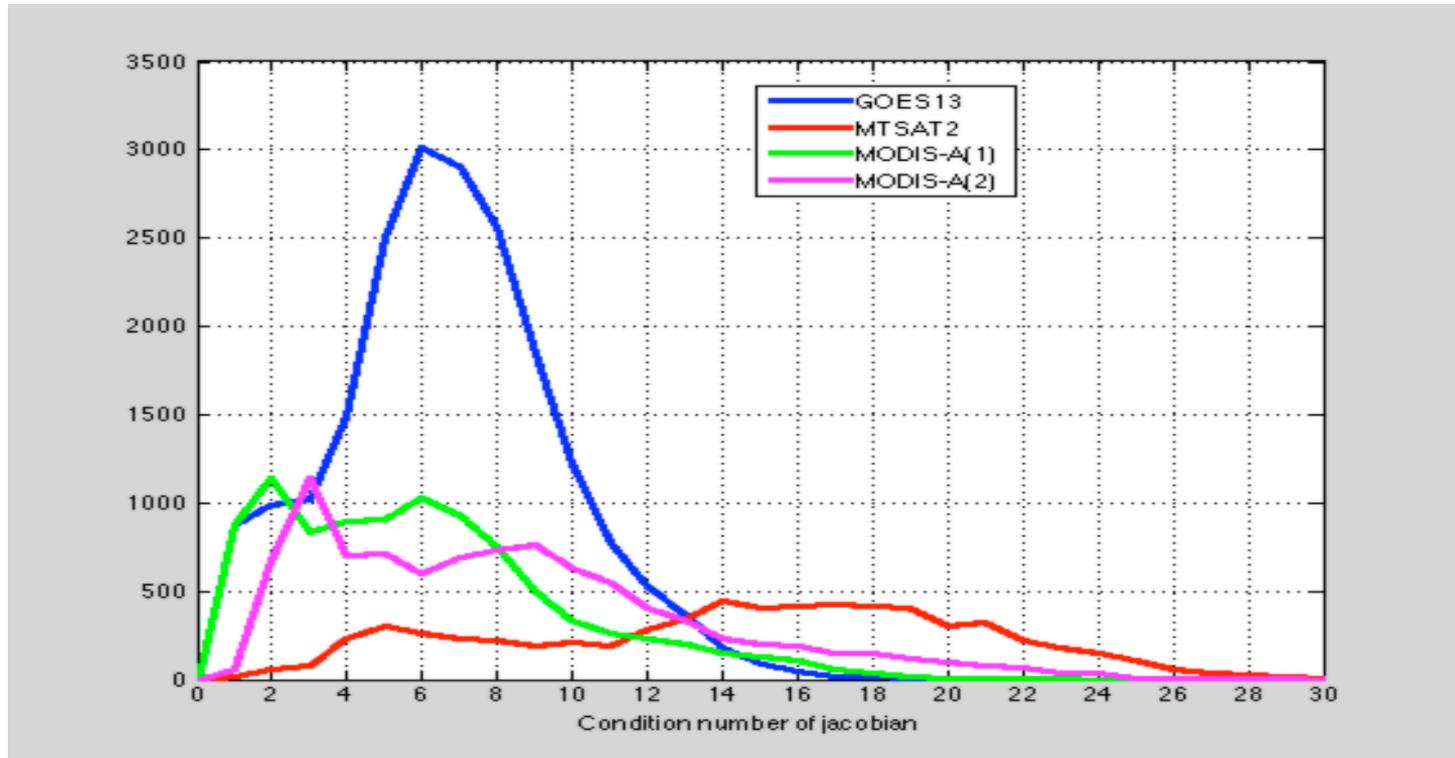
# DFS/DFR and Retrieval error using three sensors for the month of June 2014



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# Distribution of Condition number



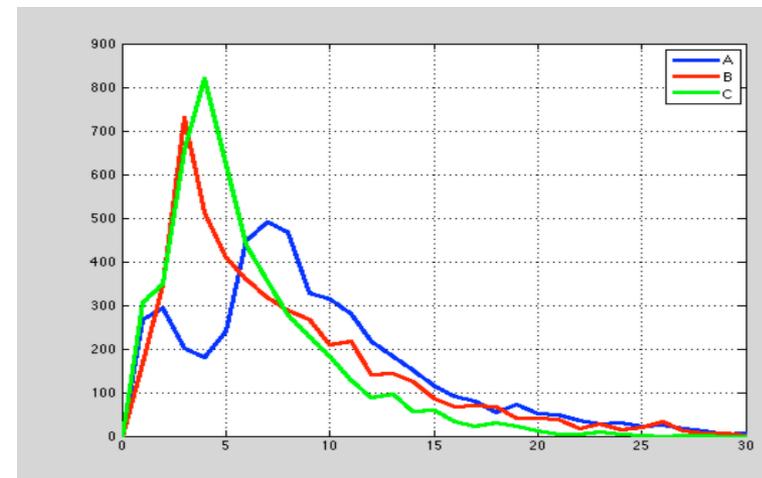
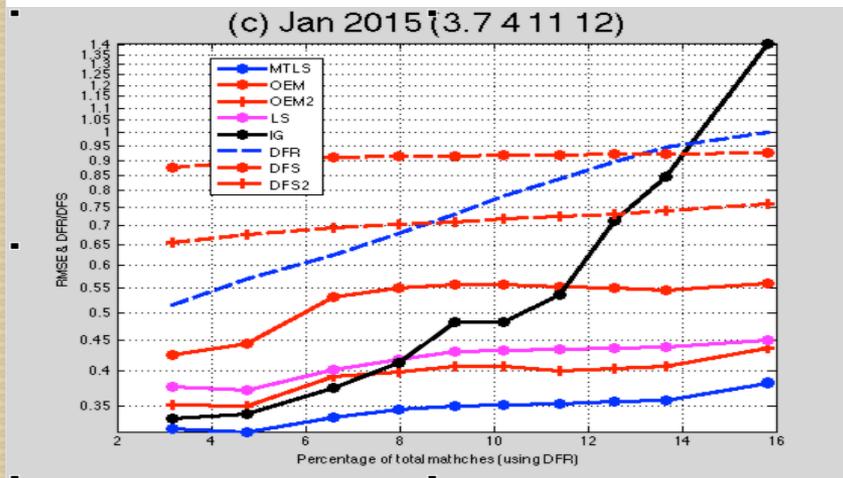
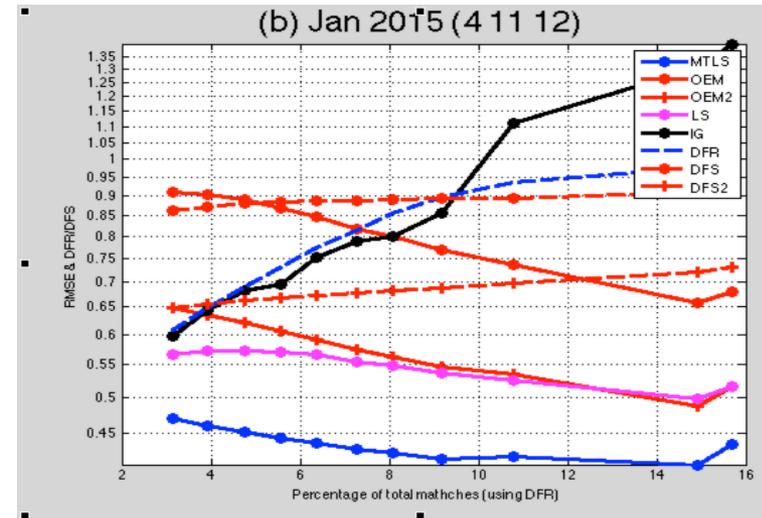
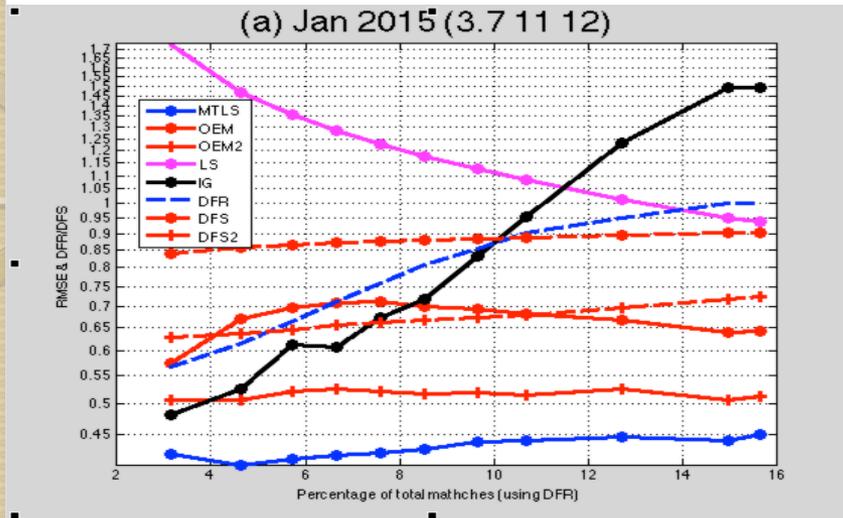
- Condition number of jacobian containing 13.4  $\mu$  m hannel is lesser than the same of 12  $\mu$  m channel.



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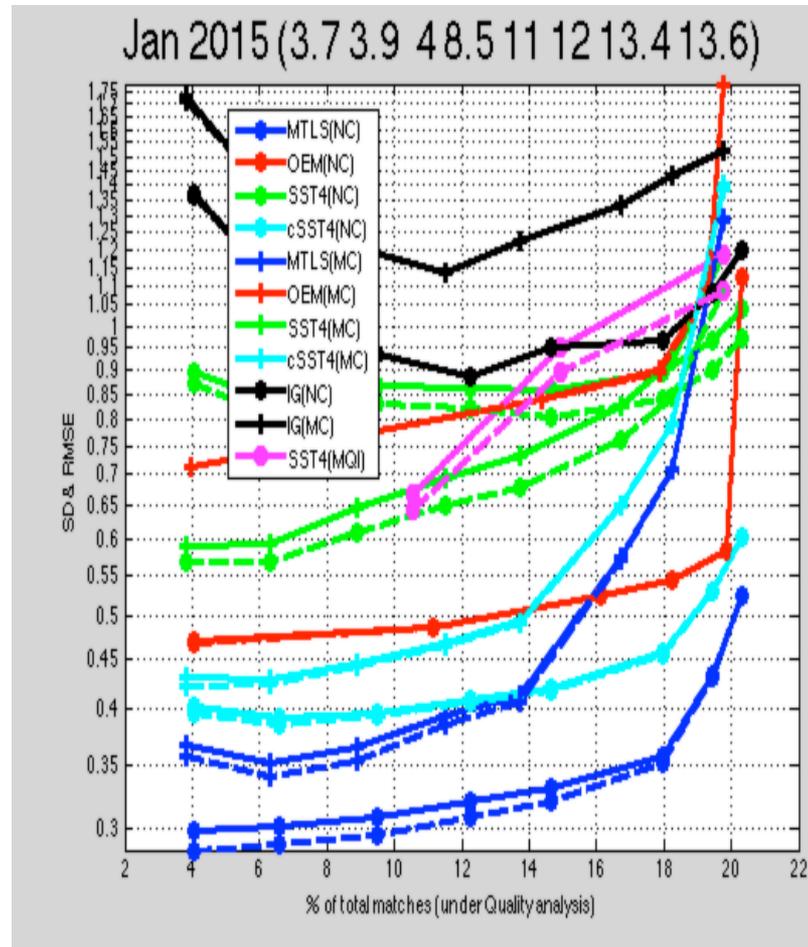
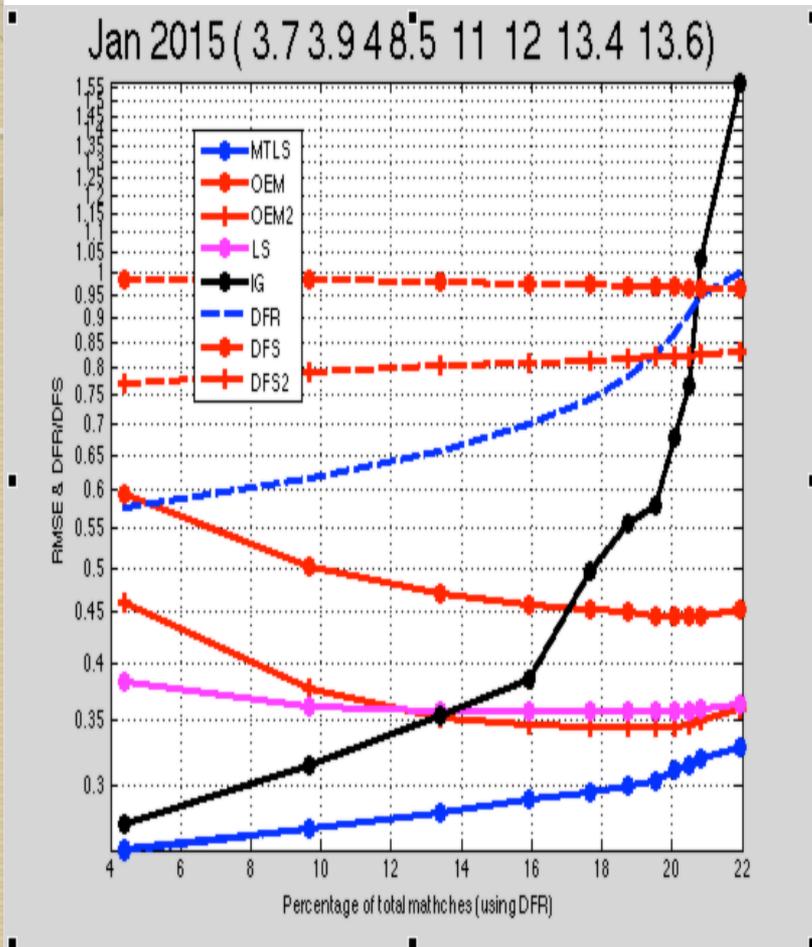
# DFR/DFS of VIIRS for various channels combinations



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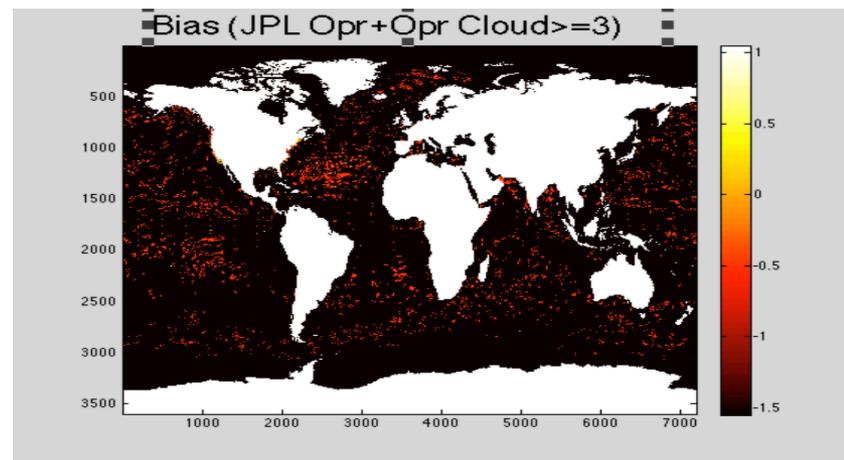
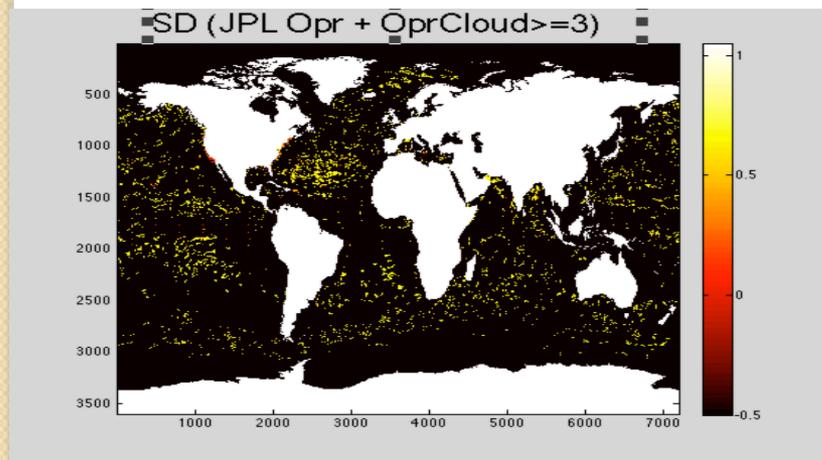
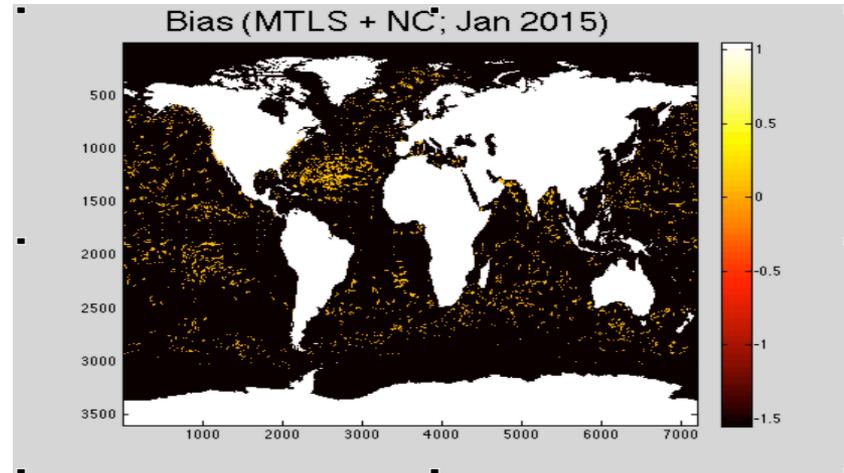
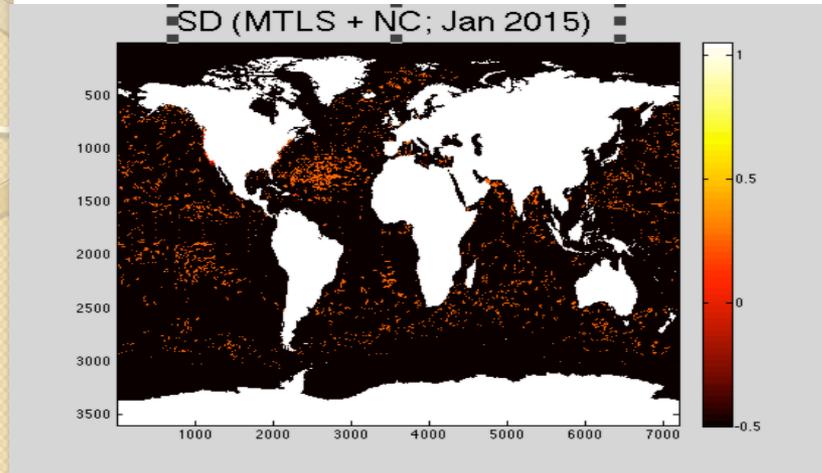
# Results of MODIS-A for multichannels



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# Validation Map for MODIS-A SST



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# Summary and conclusions

- Developmental history of inverse algorithms and sensitivity study.
- In our study, MTLs shows the best performance
- This study also shows that for majority of cases, OEM solutions contain higher error than that of a priori.
- Additionally, whether OEM outperforms LS or vice versa depends on the condition number of the problem in hand. (discussed theoretically at the beginning, and shown practically)
- Sensitivity study shows that: a low DFR/DFS does not necessarily mean a more accurate product. In other words, DFR alone is inadequate to characterize the true sensitivity.
- The success of MTLs is attributed to its data-driven regularization, i.e., when IG error is high, regularization is low and vice versa.



**THANKS!**